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For County Surveyor,
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For Assessor, Eastern district,
GILBERT HOLMAN.

For Assessor, Western district,
A. J. MCDANIEL.

CALL FOR JUDICIAL CONVENTION.

A convention of the Republican party of the 14th Judicial Circuit of West Virginia, composed of the counties of Marion and Monongalia, is hereby called to meet at Morgantown, in Monongalia county, West Virginia, on WEDNESDAY, THE 28TH DAY OF JUNE, 1904, at ten o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Judge of said circuit for the ensuing term, to be held in November next, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly be brought before said convention.

The basis of representation in said convention shall be one delegate for each 100 votes or fractional part thereof cast for the Republican Presidential electors in said circuit at the general election held in the year 1900.

The Executive Committee of the Republican party in each of the counties of said circuit are requested to provide for the election of delegates to said convention, according to the usages of said party.

Given under our hands this 19th day of April, 1904.

FRANK COX, Chairman.
HARRY SHAW, Sec'y.

TO ADVERTISERS.

As you will notice by looking at our columns, we are getting the patronage of the business community in a very gratifying manner. We must and will make our paper useful to our patrons. The first place we will look carefully after the news columns and editorial page, so that the people will want to read all of the West Virginian every day. In the second place we will give our advertisers every consideration with business principles. We are sending out hundreds of sample copies every day, thus reaching people who are not now reading a daily paper. The West Virginian will reach many country homes. Already a number of people on the Rural Routes have asked to be put on our mailing list. We will have correspondents from most of the leading centers in the county, and will always welcome news letters from any part of the country. You stand by us and we will stand by you, and thus we can work together for the profit of both parties.

It is a good while yet until July.

Just when you think you have the other fellow "skinned" is the time to watch out for your own hide.

The Fairmont Daily West Virginian made its first appearance Tuesday evening from its new plant on Monroe street. It is published by the Fairmont West Virginian Publishing Company, with L. C. Powell managing editor, Prof. M. C. Lough, city editor, and J. E. Powell, business manager. It will be strongly Republican. The paper is an eight page, six column sheet.—Mannington Enterprise.

Ex-Senator Hughes in Town.

Ex-State Senator A. G. Hughes, of Terra Alta, was in Fairmont yesterday. He is a cherished friend of the city editor of the West Virginian, but he got to see Mr. Hughes only at a distance. He had on his Sunday clothes and was not in Fairmont on business, at least not the commercial kind.

There does not seem to be quite so much bitterness manifested in the papers of the past few days over the gubernatorial nomination. The work of the conservative papers seems to be having some effect upon the over zealous adherents of Mr. Dawson and Mr. Teter. Every "rump" convention and factional fight is like so much oxygen placed to the nostrils of the dying Democracy. In fact the old thing actually sat up in bed and gave a faint smile just after the Wood county convention. But she had been prostrate so long that it is thought the exertion was too much for her and that the old lady is now worse than ever.

The Daily West Virginian hasn't got fairly settled down to business as yet—is still unorganized—hence it has neither the time nor inclination to enter into a discussion with our esteemed neighbor—the Times—on the question of capital and labor. Really, it isn't a question we need discuss, as we have been here a long time—longer than the Times—and our position is well known. We are and always have been friendly to both sides—never lost our head, made fools of ourselves—nor offended either, as some other folks have done. This much has been said in answer to the Times of last Saturday, which took for its text an utterance of our Monongah correspondent. It is a well known fact—a fact perhaps as old as printing itself—that newspapers do not stand responsible for what their correspondents may write or say.

OIL WELL

In Kentucky Making Two Hundred and Fifty Barrels a Day.

FAIRMONT PEOPLE INTERESTED.

Mr. G. F. Carrell received a letter from Kentucky this morning stating that the well recently drilled by the St. Louis and Kentucky Oil Co. is making 250 barrels per day natural. The other Fairmont people interested in this venture are Jas. and Thomas Titherington. Quite a few Fairmont people who are interested in Kentucky oil fields will be glad to read the article from the Nashville, Tenn., Daily News which we publish below.

OIL MEN ARE QUITE JUBILANT.

Nothing Sensational, But Satisfied That Future Promises Well.

Monticello, Ky., April 25.—Oil men now operating, and who are prospective operators, are jubilant over the situation, more so, indeed, than they have been at any period of the Wayne county oil operations. This good feeling is not attributable to anything approaching the sensational, but because of the operators marketing oil have no cause for complaint for the matter in which their wells are holding out, while those who are drilling new wells are meeting with a success well calculated to make them satisfied with what the future holds for the various districts in the county in which they hold leases.

George H. Dobson, of Baltimore, arrived in Monticello Saturday, and in an interview he took the above outlined position as to this field. "There is no longer any question in my mind but that this territory will prove among the best in the country, and the more I investigate, the stronger grows this conviction," he began.

"I think it can be conservatively predicted," continued Mr. Dobson, "that we are now on a field in which the development is permanent. You see this field is covered with about 400 feet of limestone, and that means protection for the immense quantities of oil after which we are now drilling."

Mr. Dobson is vice president and general manager of the Consolidated Oil & Refining Co., with headquarters at Baltimore. This corporation has thirty-eight leases on 850 acres of land in the new Steubenville district, the district which, from a general drilling standpoint, has been recently attracting the lion's share of attention in Wayne county, for the reason that several good wells have been drilled in there within the past ten days. However, the operators in the Slickford section have not been idle, and the announcement which came from the Mayfield property to the effect that another good well had just come in with a capacity at the outset, of twenty-five barrels a day, reminded those who have been watching the new field so closely that there is still oil undiscovered in the older fields.

Mr. Dobson will remain here for at least a month looking after the interests of his company. He already has a producing well in the Cooper district, and is now preparing to move machinery from that point to his property in the Steubenville section. Early this week he will have installed three machines, and will push work on the contemplated wells without delay.

This will be a busy week among the drillers as quite a number of new & Co., of Cincinnati, have arrived will be commenced. F. M. Harwood is to drill their well No. 1 deeper; the Monarch Coal, Oil & Gas Co., Dodson farm, and their well, which have a rig up on their lease on the came in about ten days ago, continues to run promisingly at a capacity of 125 barrels a day; Vegler Bros., of Pennsylvania, have two new wells drilled for Sam Owens, of Huttonsville, Ky., in which Robert Bartells, of Somerset, is also interested; the Clifton Oil Company had a well completed practically on Saturday which came in to-day, the prospects for which have been considerably good from the first by experienced oil men. They will commence pumping right away.

A COOL OFFICER.

Faced an Angry London Mob and Got Fair Play.

During the reform riots in Hyde park, London, in 1866 the mob on a well remembered night began tearing down the fences of Hyde park for fires and barricades. Colonel Thomas Wentworth Higginson tells in the Atlantic Monthly of an English officer who was dining with a friend, all unconscious of the impending danger. Presently he received a summons from the war department, telling him that his regiment was ordered out to deal with the mob.

He hastened back to his own house, but when he called for his horse he found that his servant had received permission to go out for the evening and had the key of the stable in his pocket. The officer hastily donned his uniform and then had to proceed on foot to the guards' armory, which lay on the other side of Hyde park. Walking hastily in that direction, he came out unexpectedly at the very headquarters of the mob, where they were already piling up the fences.

His uniform was recognized, and angry shouts arose. It must have seemed for the moment to the mob that the Lord had delivered their worst enemy into their hands.

There was but one thing to be done. He made his way straight toward the center of action and called to a man who was mounted on the pile and was evidently the leader of the tumult:

"I say, my good man, my regiment has been called out by her majesty's orders. Will you give me a hand over this pile?"

The man hesitated a minute and then said, with decision: "Boys, the gentleman is right. He is doing his duty, and we have no quarrel with him. Lend a hand, and help him over."

This was promptly done, with entire respect, and the officer in brilliant uniform went hastily on his way amid three cheers from the mob. Then the mob returned to its work, to complete it if possible before he whom they aided should come back at the head of his regiment and perhaps order them to be shot down.

POKER CHIPS.

There are more than four "knives" to the pack in some games.

In big hands, as with big guns, you want to look out for the recoil.

The moral motto, "Deal as you would be dealt by," is classed as the "joker" in a poker pack.

It is awfully bad form, you know, to let the loss of a few chips make you look as cross as if you thought you were getting the double one.

It may be good advice to "bet your hand for all it's worth," but it is a mighty dangerous thing to bet it for all or more than you are worth.

Notice asks which is the right way to cut the cards. Our experience teaches us, my boy, that the right way and at the same time the only safe one is to cut them precisely as does a gilded hog a shabby acquaintance.—New York Herald.

A Japanese Legend.

The renown of the Japanese for courage was as remarkable in Marco Polo's day as it is in the present. He narrates the story of an invasion of the country by the forces of the Khan of Tartary. A Japanese army of 30,000 men was besieged in a tower. Refusing to surrender, they fought until all but eight of them were killed. On these eight—travelers' wonders must creep in—it was found impossible to inflict any wound. "Now, this was by virtue of certain stones which they had in their arms, inserted between the skin and the flesh. And the charm and virtue of these stones were such that those who wore them could never perish by steel." They were therefore beaten to death with clubs.

Making It Clear.

On board an ocean steamship a gentleman wished to help a lady who was of an inquiring mind to comprehend the principle of the steam engine. This is how he cleared away all difficulties:

"Why, you see, ma'am," quoth he, "it's just one thing goes up and then another thing comes down, and then they let the smoke on, which makes the wheels go round. That's what they call the hydraulic principle. It's quite simple when you know it."

"Law me! I never understood it before. But, then, I never had it properly explained," replied the fair listener.—Tit-Bits.

Realism Explained.

"That was a splendid back fall you made in your death scene last night," remarked a young member of the company to the eminent tragedian.

The latter looked at the flatterer with a suspicious glare.

"Yes," he said, "and I'd like to lay my hands on the blithering idiot who soaped the stage floor."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Cautious Youth.

"Bobby, your father wants to see you."

The boy looked dubious.

"Do I want to see him?" he asked.

"How should I know?"

"You ought to be able to tell by the look in his eye."—Chicago Post.

Out of Her Line.

"So you were at Mrs. Murrable's dinner yesterday, Flossie. What was the menu like?"

"I really can't tell you, for I didn't take any. It's a thing I very seldom touch."

Ordinary meadow grass rarely yields over a ton and a half of hay to the acre, but clover will give up to three tons.

The "Country Circus" will be at "The Grad" next Thursday.

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THE WIND'S MYSTERY.

Mountain and Valley Breezes and How They Originate.

The meteorologist is gradually divesting the wind of its mystery and is able to explain convincingly how and when it originates. The study of a great number of observations taken simultaneously all over the country and, in fact, all over two continents has enabled the expert to foresee just when wind and storm will arrive at certain sections of the country.

Of course the physical topography of any neighborhood has its influence on the local storms, fogs and prevailing winds. The "mountain" and "valley breezes" that are so eagerly sought during the summer recreation or sojourning is an instance of the effect of mountains on local climate and weather conditions. As explained by a professor of meteorology, because of active radiation at night the layers of air near the earth become cooled, and as cool air is heavier than warm air, a law of physics that is generally appreciated theoretically, but usually overlooked practically, this heavy air tends to move down the hillside. The tendency becomes after a time sufficiently pronounced to produce a general downhill movement, eventually resulting in a perceptible breeze.

That is what is commonly designated locally as "the mountain breeze" and which, from its origin, is practically in one constant direction, though the intervention of powerful storms may temporarily reverse the customary movement. Vice versa, during the day the presence of warmer and therefore lighter air near the earth causes a movement of the atmosphere with an upward tendency, creating the so called valley breezes. In certain favorably situated localities the appearance of the mountain or the valley breeze is as regular as clockwork, the transitional period being marked by a calm.—Philadelphia Record.

BEAVERS IN MONTANA.

The Rare Animal Is Very Tame Where He Is Not Hunted.

The beaver is not shy where he is not hunted and acquires confidence in a friendly watcher sooner than any other animal I know. Strangers or unusual clothes on a person to whom they have become accustomed alarm them, though, like dogs, they can apparently identify an acquaintance by scent.

The beaver's sense of smell is very acute, for he is able to scent a man 200 yards away, and his eyesight is also most keen, but he seems to be dull of hearing when at work, and I have often walked to within a few feet of one while he was cutting wood. However, their method of warning each other of danger is by slapping or "smothering" the water with the long, flat tail which is so characteristic a feature of the animal and which not only helps him in swimming, but is used for carrying mud. If a large animal appears at a place where beavers want to work or feed the latter will often "smother" the water continually, one after another joining in, till the intruder is scared away. I have had a thorough wetting at night while watching a pond through the splashing made by this trick.

I saw my first beavers in the Musselshell river in Montana. At first they dived whenever they became aware of my presence, but after about three months they paid no attention when they scented me, and in six months they would swim around or cut bushes within a few feet of me. In fact, they repeatedly stole my fishing poles cut from green willows until I learned to use dry ones.—Country Life in America.

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COLLARS—Men's 20th century brand, 15c grade; they are 10c, or 3 for.....	25	FLINCH and "PIT" cards, 50c ones at.....	37
GLOVES—Men's canvas, per pair.....	03	PLAYING CARDS—25c quality, 9c; 10c ones at.....	08
TIES—Men's white lawn, per doz.....	03	DOMINOES—Per set, 10 and.....	05
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